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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**PROBATION DEPARTMENT: AUTHORIZE THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT
TO ACCEPT FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS FOR THE PROJECT SAFE
NEIGHBORHOOD GRANT PROGRAM
(All Districts - 3 Votes)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer to submit the necessary documents to the Office of Emergency Services (OES) to accept grant funds for the Project Safe Neighborhood (PSN) grant program in the amount of \$137,000 for the period of October 1, 2007, to September 30, 2008. There is no net County cost (NCC) match required for this grant.
2. Approve and instruct the Chair to affix a wet signature to the attached Certification of Assurance of Compliance form, as required by OES to complete the application.
3. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer, or his designee, to accept and execute the Grant Award Agreement (GAA) upon award of grant funding by OES, to serve as project director, and to sign and approve any revisions to the GAA that do not require any NCC.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The U. S. Attorney for the Central District has been awarded funds for a PSN program. The State OES serves as the fiscal agent for this program. On May 11, 2007, proposals were submitted to the U.S. Attorney's Office. A Selection Committee heard oral presentations on May 16, 2007, and allocated funds. In the Central District of California, \$856,254 was allocated to several agencies. Probation's allocation of \$137,000, is earmarked to address the gun violence problem in the Los Angeles City Police Department's 77th Division and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's Century Station areas. The PSN program will focus on the reduction of primarily juvenile and secondarily adult gun and gang-related violence.

OES requires applicants to complete a Certification of Assurance of Compliance form that includes Proof of Authority from the Board of Supervisors. Applicants are required to submit the necessary assurances and documentation before finalization of the GAA.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions are consistent with the Countywide Strategic Plan Goal No. 4: Fiscal Responsibility, by securing available revenue sources to offset program costs; and Goal No. 8: Public Safety, by improving neighborhood safety in Los Angeles County.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

It is anticipated that Probation will receive \$137,000 for fiscal year (FY) 2007-08 and FY 2008-09. Funding for this project is included in the Department's FY 2007-08 Adopted Budget. No additional NCC will be used for this project.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The PSN program is a comprehensive, strategic approach to reducing gun violence by linking prosecutors and community leaders to implement a multi-faceted strategy. It is a nationwide commitment to reduce gun-related crime by networking local programs with tools and resources they need to succeed. The PSN program offers unprecedented coordination among law enforcement officials with an emphasis on prevention, tactical intelligence gathering, more aggressive prosecution, and enhanced accountability through

performance measures. The goal of the program is to create safer neighborhoods by reducing gun violence and sustaining that reduction.

The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) is providing funding to combat gun violence in Los Angeles under the PSN program. DOJ has dedicated funding to support new and expanded anti-gang prevention and enforcement efforts under the PSN initiative in the Central District. This initiative is authorized by H.R. 2862, the Science, State, Justice, Commerce and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2006.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

PSN grant funds will enhance current services that assist in creating safer neighborhoods by reducing gun violence and sustaining that reduction.

CONCLUSION

Following Board authorization to submit an application for this program, the Executive Officer, Clerk of the Board is requested to call Mr. Daniel Sahagun, at (562) 940-2615, to pick up two (2) copies of the adopted Board letter and one (1) OES Certification of Assurance of Compliance form with a wet signature.

Respectfully submitted,



WILLIAM T FUJIOKA
Chief Executive Officer

WTF:SRH:RDC
RBT:YY:yjf

Attachments

c: County Counsel
Probation Department

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CERTIFICATION OF ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE

I, Robert B. Taylor hereby certify that
(official authorized to sign grant award; same person as Section 12 on Grant Award Face Sheet)

RECIPIENT: County of Los Angeles
IMPLEMENTING AGENCY: County of Los Angeles Probation Department
PROJECT TITLE: Probation Project Safe Neighborhoods

is responsible for reviewing the *Grant Recipient Handbook* and adhering to all of the Grant Award Agreement requirements (state and/or federal) as directed by OES including, but not limited to, the following areas:

I. Equal Employment Opportunity – (2006 Recipient Handbook Section 2151)

It is the public policy of the State of California to promote equal employment opportunity by prohibiting discrimination or harassment in employment because of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, disability (mental and physical) including HIV and AIDS, medical condition (cancer and genetic characteristics), marital status, sex, sexual orientation, denial of family medical care leave, denial of pregnancy disability leave, or age (over 40). **OES-funded projects certify that they will comply with all state and federal requirements regarding equal employment opportunity, nondiscrimination and civil rights.**

Please provide the following information:

Equal Employment Opportunity Officer: Francine Jimenez
Title: Affirmative Action Officer
Address: 9150 E. Imperial Highway, Downey, CA 90242
Phone: (562) 940-3552
Email: Francine.Jimenez@probation.lacounty.gov

II. Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990 – (2006 Recipient Handbook, Section 2152)

The State of California requires that every person or organization awarded a grant or contract shall certify it will provide a drug-free workplace.

III. California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) – (2006 Recipient Handbook, Section 2153)

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (*Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et seq.*) requires all OES funded projects to certify compliance with CEQA. Projects receiving funding must coordinate with their city or county planning agency to ensure that the project is compliance with CEQA requirements.

IV. Lobbying – (2006 Recipient Handbook Section 2154)

OES grant funds, grant property, or grant funded positions shall not be used for any lobbying activities, including, but not limited to, being paid by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making of any federal grant, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal grant or cooperative agreement.

V. Debarment and Suspension – (2006 Recipient Handbook Section 2155)

(This applies to federally funded grants only.)

OES-funded projects must certify that it and its principals are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, sentenced to a denial of federal benefits by a state or federal court, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal department of agency.

VI. Proof of Authority from City Council/Governing Board

The above-named organization (applicant) accepts responsibility for and will comply with the requirement to obtain written authorization from the city council/governing board in support of this program. The applicant agrees to provide all matching funds required for said project (including any amendment thereof) under the Program and the funding terms and conditions of OES, and that any cash match will be appropriated as required. It is agreed that any liability arising out of the performance of this Grant Award Agreement, including civil court actions for damages, shall be the responsibility of the grant recipient and the authorizing agency. The State of California and OES disclaim responsibility of any such liability. Furthermore, it is also agreed that grant funds received from OES shall not be used to supplant expenditures controlled by the city council/governing board.

The applicant is required to obtain written authorization from the city council/governing board that the official executing this agreement is, in fact, authorized to do so. The applicant is also required to maintain said written authorization on file and readily available upon demand.

All appropriate documentation must be maintained on file by the project and available for OES or public scrutiny upon request. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in suspension of payments under the grant or termination of the grant or both and the Recipient may be ineligible for award of any future grants if the OES determines that any of the following has occurred: (1) the Recipient has made false certification, or (2) violates the certification by failing to carry out the requirements as noted above.

CERTIFICATION

I, the official named below, am the same individual authorized to sign the Grant Award Agreement [Section 12 on Grant Award Face Sheet], and hereby swear that I am duly authorized legally to bind the contractor or grant recipient to the above described certification. I am fully aware that this certification, executed on the date and in the county below, is made under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California.

Authorized Official's Signature: 
Authorized Official's Typed Name: Robert B. Taylor

Authorized Official's Title: Chief Probation Officer

Date Executed: _____

Federal Employer ID Number: 95-6000927

Executed in the City/County of: Los Angeles

AUTHORIZED BY: *(not applicable to State agencies)*

- City/County Financial Officer or
- City/County Manager or
- Governing Board Chair

Signature: _____

Typed Name: Zev Yaroslavsky

Title: Chair, Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors

**Los Angeles County Chief Administrative Office
Grant Management Statement for Grants \$100,000 or More**

Department: PROBATION DEPARTMENT

Grant Project Title and Description: Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant

The objective of this program is to significantly reduce gun violence in the Los Angeles Police Department's 77th Division and the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department Century Station target areas. To address the gun violence problem, the program will work collectively with law enforcement led by the U.S. Attorney for the Central District, Los Angeles County District Attorney, Los Angeles City Attorney's Office, Los Angeles Police Department, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department, Federal Bureau of Investigations, and Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms. The grant will be utilized to expand existing intervention and suppression efforts for intensive supervision of juvenile and adult probationers, and, secondarily, to enhance prevention service delivery to the target areas.

Funding Agency

Office of Emergency
Services

Program (Fed. Grant #/State Bill or Code #)

CFDA # 16609 Project Safe
Neighborhoods

Grant Acceptance Deadline

Total Amount of Grant Funding: \$137,000

County Match: None

Grant Period:

Begin Date: October 1, 2007

End Date: September 30, 2008

Number of Personnel Hired Under This Grant: 3

Full Time: 1

Part Time: 2

Obligations Imposed on the County When the Grant Expires

Will all personnel hired for this program be informed this is a grant-funded program?	Yes <u>X</u>	No <u> </u>
Will all personnel hired for this program be placed on temporary ("N") items?	Yes <u> </u>	No <u>X</u>
Is the County obligated to continue this program after the grant expires?	Yes <u> </u>	No <u>X</u>
If the County is not obligated to continue this program after the grant expires, the Department will:		
a.) Absorb the program cost without reducing other services	Yes <u> </u>	No <u>X</u>
b.) Identify other revenue sources (describe below)	Yes <u> </u>	No <u>X</u>
c.) Eliminate or reduce, as appropriate, positions/program costs funded by the grant.	Yes <u>X</u>	No <u> </u>

Impact of additional personnel on existing space:

N/A

Other requirements not mentioned above: NONE

Department Head Signature



Date:
